

## Status Conference

Docket No. 2020-125-E

A virtual status conference was held on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 10 am. All parties were represented at the conference, except for Mr. Frank Knapp, who was not able to participate. David Butler, Chief Hearing Officer, presided at the conference.

The Chief Hearing Officer complimented the parties for their hard work towards a settlement in this case.

Mr. Butler and the parties discussed the procedural matters for the upcoming hearings on the case, which include, but are not limited to the matters discussed below:

Settlement testimony is set to begin on July 12, 2021, whereas the remainder of pre-filed testimony was set to begin on July 14, 2021. The parties agreed, however, that they would be willing to participate in the hearing also on July 13, 2021, given the busy schedule facing the Commission for the week of July 12, 2021.

The Chief Hearing Officer reminded the parties that Wednesday, July 7, 2021 was the deadline for the parties to indicate whether they would be presenting live witnesses and/or virtual witnesses, and whether the attorneys were going to be live and/or virtual. The use of panels for live witnesses was discussed, as well related matters.

The pre-filing of the remainder of the Settlement Testimony was discussed, with many parties stating they would be pre-filing such testimony on Wednesday, July 7, 2021.

The procedure for the remaining witnesses' pre-filed testimony was discussed, with Mr. Butler suggesting that those witnesses give a summary of their testimony before Commissioner questions, so as to remind the Commissioners and others of their topics related to their pre-filed testimony.

The parties will propose an Order of Witnesses for the settlement part of the hearing. With regard to the hearing on the remaining pre-filed witnesses, the parties may consider presenting witnesses out of order by agreement where witnesses have conflicts with testimony dates.

An inquiry was made as to the estimated length of the remainder of the proceeding, and the answer was that it was somewhat dependent on Commissioner questions.

After other procedural discussions, the virtual status conference was adjourned.